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庚辰年五月十九日

Shipping:

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship
"Meneau,"
Capt. J. Nicoll, will be
despatched on or about
the 23th Instant.


For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, June 17, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship
"Hector,"
Capt. E. BILLING, will be
despatched on or about
the 5th July.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, June 24, 1880.

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(Carrying a full cargo of goods, and passengers, and
 Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Aus-
 tralian and New Zealand Ports.)

The Steamship "Meath,"
 JOHN MATHIAS, Commanding,
 will be despatched
 above on THURSDAY, the 8th July,
 Daylight.


For Freight or Passage, apply to
 GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
 Hongkong, June 19, 1880.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
 The 41 British Ship
 "Carnarvon,"
 Captain BRADER, will load h-


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have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to **VOGEL & Co**
Hongkong, June 19, 1889.

FOR NEW YORK.
The **d 1 German Bark**,
"G. F. Muntz,"
 **STENZEL, Master,** will
here for the above Port,
will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to **VOGEL & Co**
Hongkong, June 18, 1889.

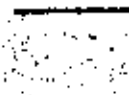
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er at Hongkong.

 The A 1 British Ship
"Pearl,"
LACKYON, Master, will load
for the above Port, and
have quick despatch.


For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & C
Hongkong, May 31, 1880.


FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

 The A 1 American Ship
"McNary,"
TAYLOR, Master, will load
for the above Port, and
have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & C
Hongkong, May 31, 1880.

FOR AMOY
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FOR HONOLULU.
The 4 1 British Bark
"Spirit of the Age,"
 WILLIAM, Master, will
here for the above Port,
will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & C
Hongkong, May 21, 1880.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG
The 5/6 L.L.L. German Bark
"Edda,"
 WINTER, Master, will load
for the above Ports, and
have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & C
Hongkong, May 22, 1880.


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FOR LONDON.
The A. I. American Ship
"Olydaad."
HATFIELD, Master, will
have quick despatch.
For freight, apply to
VOGEL &
Hongkong, May 19, 1860.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A. I. American Ship
"Wm. H. Marcy."
MASTON, Master, will load
for the above Port, and
have quick despatch.
For freight, apply to
RUSSELL &

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Hongkong, April 24, 1880.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Ship
"Twilight"

W. C. HANCOCK, Master,
loaded here for the above
and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
HONGKONG, April 24, 1880.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Ship
"Cassiopeia"

BRAUER, Master, will load
here for the above Port, and
have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
HONGKONG, April 24, 1880.

and that the S. J. Cypher left O. O. K. tomorrow morning for Hongkong, via Port Darwin.

Texas are more Col. Gordon than one in the British service, and the officer of that name mentioned in the suite of the Viceroy of India must, we suppose, have been a different person from "Chinese Gordon." The fact, it is a fact, that Gordon Pasha has resigned his commission in the British Army, is, we think, conclusive evidence that this able and proved soldier has accepted service under the Chinese Government. Had he been coming to China as military adviser attached to the British Legation, as the *Japan Gazette* suggests, he need not have thrown up his commission. His movements will attract general attention wherever they may be.

The Ceylon people are greatly disappointed that Prince Heinrich, for whom they were making quite extensive preparations, will not visit Galle and Colombo; the Prince Adalbert, however, by the Cape. The Prince Adalbert with Prince Heinrich on board arrived at Singapore on the evening of the 18th inst.

Tax following is the order of Service at St. John's Cathedral, to-morrow, fifth Sunday after Trinity:

Matins.—Yates, No. 1. Monk; Psalm, No. 122 and 143. Monk; To Donna, Barny; Benediction, No. 126. Monk; Anthem, "My God, look upon me." Hymn, No. 333. Evensong.—No. 147 and 148. Monk; Magnificat, Nuno Dimitrie, Wesley in F; Hymn, 391; Hymn, 19.

Tax *Galley of Lorne* cleared on the 11th instant from Farnow; she took 19,348.80 pounds of tea.

Tax *Texaco* left the Old Dock on Saturday night (19th inst.) for Hongkong, at 100 by Captain Tucker, Lloyd's surveyor at the port.

Tax U. S. gunboat *Albatross* left Shanghai for Yokohama on the 21st, where she will receive orders to arrive by the 2nd prox. She will await the arrival and bring H. E. J. B. Angell, the new U. S. Minister for China, to Shanghai.

Tax Brazilian Minister was expected to go North, about Friday, the 25th.

We (N. O. Daily News) hear that the steamship *Glenn* arrived at Swat at 130 a.m. on the 18th inst., having experienced contrary winds nearly all the way from Singapore. The steamship *Glenn* reached the last named port on the 6th inst. Unfavourable weather delayed her for seven hours and a half longer to go from Wooning to Singapore than she accomplished the same distance in last year.

The *Japan Gazette* says it is reported that the Chinese Government have requested the Japan Government to despatch telegraph engineers and operators to China, for the purpose, it is supposed, of constructing lines.

Tax S. S. *Hankow* was expected to arrive at Wooning on the 22nd en route for London, and the will convey to England two points mentioned in the *Japan Gazette*: H. E. B. H. the Prince of Wales, one being shipped from Hankow and the other from Shanghai.

Taus speaks the *Shanghai Mercury*—It Reuter's political service were considered by people who understood the wants of reuter's service, and might suppose that the election of the President of the United States was a matter of some doubt or mystery. But it is evident that the political newsmongers who supply us have a very imperfect acquaintance with those political topics that are of interest to us, and that they are not going to go to the public to tell us. For they suppose that the first, second and third hours in the Asoo Gold Cup are of importance to be known here, whilst they leave out the Doncaster St. Leger and don't suppose that the election of the President of the United States interest any body. We do not mean to severely censure Reuter's Company; they have to cut their cost according to their cloth, and the enormous charge of telegraphing must absorb all their funds without allowing them to pay for a profound politician acquainted with the East.

It is probable that Mr. J. J. Fraser of Messrs. Messinger, Freres & Co. will be offered the seat in the Singapore Municipality vacated by Mr. Fraser's departure. The appointment of Mr. Fraser as a Commissioner would, says the *Times*, please all classes of the community.

Tax British Ship *Castle Rock*, Captain Mackay, which arrived at Singapore on Monday, the 14th inst., left on the 24th March, and has made the passage in the unprecedentedly fast time of 80 days.

Notwithstanding the arrival at Singapore of the steam launch built at Hongkong for the Government of one of the Native States, the local paper says:

When the launch was landed on Tanjong Pagar Dock the style of its construction was the subject of much comment among the natives, who unanimously concurred in the opinion that Hongkong steam-launch workmanship has little to boast of in comparison with that of Singapore.

In another issue our contemporary gives certain information as to what it has cost to obtain this result:

The steam launch built in Hongkong for the Government of one of the Native States cost, we hear, \$1,500, and the freight to Singapore cost \$200, making a total of \$1,700. Now we believe we are not far from stating that the *Tanjong Pagar* Steam Company would have been able to build a launch of a similar class for \$350, thus giving a saving of \$1,350. And in the view of the fact that the launch is to be used for the purpose of conveying the Native States in question to \$450. And in the view of the fact that the launch is to be used for the purpose of conveying the Native States in question to \$450.

The following is the latest we have to hand as to the Korean question. A correspondent writing from Seoul, by the N. C. D. News, says:

On the afternoon of the 21st inst. a British corvette suddenly appeared off the port and several officers landed and paid a visit to the Japanese Consulate, where they were entertained. In the evening they

returned to the corvette, which left next morning. It is said that the vessel being on the way from China to Hakodate, the officers thought it a good opportunity to see Fusan, but it would appear that there was a certain object in the visit, unknown to us. When the Korean officials at the Custom House stationed, and immediately sent a mounted messenger to Seoul. Then the Governor, being afraid that the object of the visit of the British corvette was to see the British flag, they were very much alarmed, and immediately sent a messenger to Seoul. Then the Governor, being afraid that the object of the visit of the British corvette was to see the British flag, they were very much alarmed, and immediately sent a messenger to Seoul.

We regret to hear that Mr. Paul, the Consul for England at Manila, was compelled to leave that place for home on account of his bad health. Mr. Paul was very kindly granted his leave by telegram. Mr. Paul was much liked at Manila not only by the British but also by the Spanish community. Mr. and Mrs. Paul left Manila on the 8th inst., and were guests at the Government House at Singapore, where they were very happy to meet their old friend, Mr. Excoffier, the Governor and Lady Weld.—*Catholic Register*.

HONGKONG ARTILLERY VOLUNTEERS.

IMPORTANT SPEECH BY THE GOVERNOR THIS AFTERNOON.

The Hongkong Artillery Volunteers mustered this afternoon at the Orderly Room, and thence were marched to the Council Chamber, where H. E. the Governor was in waiting. Captain Coxon, commandant, was in command of the Volunteers; several of the officers were present, and 83 of the men. Captain Francis, H. E. A. V., Acting Extra A.D.C., was in attendance on the Governor, and there were also present the Acting Colonial Secretary (Dr. Stewart), the Acting Chinese Secretary (Dr. Kitchin), the Private Secretary, and Acting Clerk of Councils (Mr. Alameda).

His Excellency said: Captain Coxon and gentlemen, I have asked you to attend here to-day for the purpose of ascertaining your own views on certain points of great importance with respect to the Volunteer Corps. Indeed, before to-day, I had the opportunity of having from your Commandant, Mr. Coxon, a statement of the more important points to which I refer. I think that it is very properly to look the opportunity of ascertaining your own views on some of these points. Before immediately referring to them, I will say a word or two with respect to the history of the Volunteer movement in this Colony.

As I have before me now contain the history of the Volunteer movement from the time of its first establishment, I find that the Duke of Newcastle addressed a despatch to the Governor of this Colony in one paragraph of which he lays down the constitutional relations which should exist between the Governor of the Colony and the local forces that may be raised in the Colony:—"In this analogy, therefore, it is desirable that the Governor of each Colony where Militia or Volunteers exist be constituted by law the Commander-in-Chief of all the local forces raised in that Colony, and that the regulations which shall be made, and the Act of the local legislature, be made by his authority and through such officers as he may appoint." Before that despatch was received an ordinance had been passed by the legislature of this Colony to authorize the raising of a Volunteer Corps, and that is the ordinance now at this moment the law. Now, gentlemen, the question of the local and Military Forces of this Colony has engaged my attention very closely since I arrived in this Colony, and with great satisfaction I have been able to see that the Volunteer Corps, as it is now constituted, is in accordance with the provisions of the Act of 1863, and also the provisions of the Act of 1865, and also the provisions of the Act of 1867, and also the provisions of the Act of 1869, and also the provisions of the Act of 1871, and also the provisions of the Act of 1873, and also the provisions of the Act of 1875, and also the provisions of the Act of 1877, and also the provisions of the Act of 1879, and also the provisions of the Act of 1881, and also the provisions of the Act of 1883, and also the provisions of the Act of 1885, and also the provisions of the Act of 1887, and also the provisions of the Act of 1889, and also the provisions of the Act of 1891, and also the provisions of the Act of 1893, and also the provisions of the 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THE HILLS.

FESTIVAL of the snow-god to whose sides
No stormy winter's breaths appear,
But ever-varying pleasant slides;
And when God pours his terror on the plains,
He sends his Zephyr for the fugitives,
Cities of refuge that his mercy gives,
We love you in all seasons, moods, and tides.

Nature, whose frown lay like a mother's curse
On the faint heart of her despairing child,
Here meets us, smiling, reconciled;
And we are blest. There is no prison worse
Than watching, helplessly, from day to day,
The terrible sun-glare on the dusty grey,
And hearing the hot gales howl poisonous and wild.

Terror of God to us, whose alien blood
Flows from the fountains of a sea-girt home,
Where, from the German or the Atlantic foam
Spray-blessed breezes blow at will and food.
And though we wander in a righteous cause,
Yet outraged Nature vindicates her laws,
And yet, God help us! evermore we roam.

God help us! He do help us. As of old
Ere yet the monarchy thunder rolled
Or earth and heaven had their wrathful
fountains,
His righteous messenger approached the mountain
fountains,
And saw the high-built tower, "the little one,"
Touched by the first beams of that fatal sun—
Of olden times, here, the same glad tale is told.

Cities of refuge! Therefore in all time
A grateful love shall linger on your heights,
When spring (the unforgotten spring) delights
To cheer us with the long-lost voice of her pipes.
When the long-wanted cuckoo tunes again
The sweet monotony of his wailing strain,
Mocking in sheltering leaves the eagles and the kites.

Not less when, like the old diurnal rain,
The sea of cloud sweeps up, and breaks itself
In white wreaths on some high and craggy
head,
Or falls, a flood of fertilizing rain,
And the poor tiller of the terraced soil,
Sees Indra present to reward his toil,
And counts with happy heart the increase of his grain.

And bliss is ours in autumn eve; the blue
Is cloudless, and air is blithe and clear;
We linger on the homeward way, when few
Are with us on the paths, above appear
The golden flowers of heaven, and lights
shine out
From human homes around; and care and
fly from the heart, as from a place they never knew.

And most when hoary Christmas, keen but kind,
Piles in the gleams his true and tender air,
And every face is seen aglow with health,
Fond English memories reposed in his arms,
To hear our footstep's marking, as we go,
The crackling crackle of the holly leaves,
And the old year's grim faces are put and left behind.

Yet, on these grassy slopes, these rippling verges
We see the birds and yet the birds are dead,
Set up our bonfires, fly our flaring flags,
And drive the roaring trade of Vanity Fair;
So here, even as there, the Devil is lord,
And guides our footsteps with a three-fold cord;
Vice lolls in velvet, labour slivers writhed in rage.

—Pioneer.

Sorrow for the most part not only purifies
but enriches, not only disciplines
but ennobles. By affliction we are made better
friends and more sympathetic companions,
braver to meet and stronger to bear, and
moulded into a grander form throughout
than we could ever have attained without
this suffering which has been our hard but
benevolent task-master.

When a man helps you to be true and
better, he makes you his largest debtor.

Duty is the little blue sky over every
heart and soul—over every life large
enough for a star to look between the clouds
and for the skylark's happiness to rise
heavenward through and sing in.

This truer we become, the more
merely we know the ring of truth.—F. W.
Robertson.

Do little things as if they were great,
because of the majesty of Jesus Christ,
who dwells in thee; and do great things
as if they were little and easy, because of His
omnipotence.—Fascal.

THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

(The Californian)

Since the negotiation of the Reciprocity
Treaty between the United States and the
Hawaiian Kingdom in 1875, the
Hawaiian Islands have attracted general
attention. Being on the highway to the
western half of the British Empire, the
large steamers plying from San Francisco
to Auckland and Sydney have afforded
speedy and easy means of travel to
Honolulu, and many have availed them-
selves of the rapid transit to visit the
tropics. Some were impelled by the desire
of sight-seeing; others went in search
of health; and a large proportion visited
the Islands for purposes of investment
and the adoption of permanent homes.
The first named are always pleased, for
the scenery is charming beyond comparison,
and the climate is so soft, the atmos-
phere so wooing, and the change of vege-
tation so marked, that the visitor must
yield to their senses and pleasant in-
fluences. Those seeking health are often
benefited, especially when the malady or
affliction is of a nervous character.
And, under the impetus given to the
planting industry by the late treaty, many
have made favorable investments in sugar
farms and sugar mills, and fortunes have
been made in those pursuits as rapidly
as by striking bonanzas in Nevada. But
it is not every one who plants sugar-cane
that succeeds in making money. Lam-
mentable failures have resulted from per-
sons going heedlessly into business with-
out the clear calculation and diligent
attention of a practical mind. But when
the investment has been judiciously
made, and good lands selected in the
district of great and regular rainfall on
the Island of Hawaii, or any of the other
islands of the group, where there is a
perennial flow of water for irrigating pur-
poses, and the investor knows how to till
the soil, and to get a full day's work from
his employes, success has been marvellous.
The product to the acre is often more
than triple the amount raised in Cuba,
and more than double that produced per
acre at Mauritius, whence we draw our
principal sugar supply.

A steamer leaving San Francisco at
12 m. on Monday, the usual hour of sail-
ing, will arrive in Honolulu on Tuesday
of the week following, in time for the
passengers to get their breakfast on shore.
On approaching the Island of Oahu, the
tourist is not favorably impressed, the
first point described being usually Cooca

Head, a bold rocky promontory; and as
the vessel nears the shore, the island
looks seaward and dead. The deep gorges
and ravines, penetrated by the vision
only when assisted by a powerful glass,
disclose green-tinted trees and plants
nourished by rainy vapors, showers, fall-
ings, and intermittent sunshine; and as
the steamer rounds Diamond Head, the
feathery-topped coco-nut palms at Waikiki
extending to the brink of the surf, the
broad level plain and rising green
topped mountains in the rear, form a
handsome landscape; and Honolulu, then
first visible, looks like an extensive forest
with only a few spars and turrets rising
above the trees. As the steamer ap-
proaches, the natives convene at the
landing in great numbers, many of them
gayly dressed and decorated with wreaths
and leis of flowers. The merchants and
other of the white population like to be
the first to meet friends and to obtain the
latest news. The passenger is not annoy-
ed by noisy hotel runners, but perhaps
would willingly bear a little boring in
that way to receive the benefit that re-
sults from competition. There is but
one first-class hotel in Honolulu, a fine
building owned by the Government.
There are several smaller hotels and
boarding houses, and tenement houses
with furnished rooms, all having good
bathing accommodations; and a number
of restaurants, where good meals can be
obtained at all hours on reasonable terms.

When the visitor has located himself,
he first of all takes a drive through the
town, and soon finds himself at the fish
market, where strange, bright, and beau-
tiful inhabitants of the sea are exposed
for sale. Rare, brightly tinted fishes,
not found elsewhere, are quite common
here. The fish market is a place of
general concourse, especially on Saturday
afternoon, where the Hawaiian dandies
and belles appear in their best attire.
One thing will especially strike the notice
of the tourist: the extreme modesty and
retiring manner of the native women,
who invariably look down or avert the
face when passing a stranger. But when
it is once known that you are a resident,
a bright smile greets you, and a gentle
voice says, "Aloha," which means "I
love you." One soon picks up enough
native language to carry on a running
conversation, and aloha is soon extended
to aloha nui and aloha makai, which
adjectives express degrees in intensity
of love.

The Hawaiian race is rapidly passing
away. Fifty years ago they numbered
45,000; to-day not in excess of 40,000.
It is the best autochthonous race known.
Amiable, brave, and generous, like all
barbarous people, they are hospitable.
It is said that hospitality is a concomi-
tant of barbarism, and that civilization
diminishes that quality. Many causes
can readily be assigned for the rapid
decrease in the Hawaiian race; first, the
introduction of contagious and infectious
diseases by foreigners; next, the general
attempt by the natives to wear clothing
which, when wet, is never changed—and
Hawaiians never avoid rain; and the
most fruitful cause has been forcing upon
the people a government and system of
laws for which they were not prepared
by any previous education, making habits
and customs long indulged in, and re-
garded as harmless and innocent, mis-
deemeanors and crimes, punishable by fine
and imprisonment. These things broke
the spirit of the people. Before the
adoption and enforcement of such laws,
the people should have been prepared by
education to look with proper discrimina-
tion upon the mala prohibita of the penal
codes. When Solon was asked if he had
given his people the best possible code
of laws, he answered, "The best they
were capable of receiving." Had the
same moderation and wisdom governed
those who formulated the laws and
government of Hawaii, the population
would in all probability have remained
undiminished.

The Hawaiian is proud and sensitive,
and it is a known fact that he can die
"as though he was studied in his death,
and throw away the dearest thing he
owned as if it were a mere trifle." When
under the curse or evil prayers of the
kahuna, no counsel, no reasoning, no
medicine is of any avail. He sinks from
health to lethargy and death with incredi-
ble speed and persistence. The kahuna
are about on a par with the magi of the
olden time, and like John Wellington
Wells, are dealers in magical spells.
They are under the ban of the laws; but
in secret they practise the black art, often
with fatal effect, upon the superstitious
and timid.

Honolulu has a population of all races
of about seventeen thousand. The Chi-
nese are, numerically, the next in impor-
tance after the native. The Chinese here
manifest the aggressive tendency of the
race. They have already monopolized
Nuuanu Street, the principal thorough-
fare, and are rapidly getting strong foot-
holds on Beretania and Emma Streets,
whence most of the wealthy foreign re-
sidents have their homes. They are
increasing rapidly, chiefly from raw re-
cruits from China. Though they are
given to marriage and select all the pretti-
est native women for wives, the race
thus produced, by crossing the Oriental
with the Hawaiian, is remarkable for
beauty and grace. A few instances may
suffice to show the persistence of the
Chinese character; and, indeed, "John"
is not unlike the little animal called the
lemming in disposition; which, during the
periods of emigration, turns aside for an
opposing obstacle, sailing its way through
tires and haystacks, rather than defect
from a straight course. A short time ago,
Ah. Loo applied for a license to marry
Ka. Pua, a young girl not over twelve
years of age. The license was refused
because the young lady was under the
legal age. The next day Ah. Loo, again
applied to the officer for a license, but
this time for a license to marry Ka. Pua,
the girl's mother, a widow. The
license was granted, and no doubt Ah.
Loo, in marrying the mother, with certain
mental reservations, took to wife both
mother and daughter at the same time.

The tourist will find ample means of
locomotion in Honolulu, there being over
one hundred and fifty public carriages
for hire in the town, and many riding
horses. Around the city are a number
of pretty and interesting rides. That

usually taken first is to Waikiki, the
principal bathing resort, where a number
of citizens have cottages and pass part of
the year. The shore is of hard and com-
pact coral sand; and the surf breaks in
from deep, blue water, throwing the
white, curling crests over the bathers.
The native boys climb the coco-nut trees
on the shore, cling with their hands and
feet in the most approved monkey style,
and literally walk up the vertical stem,
with the perfect ease of a quadrumanus,
to amuse the visitor, in hopes of getting
a silver coin for some green coco-nuts
plucked from the top of the tree, the
milk of which is delicious.

J. M. DAVIDSON,
(To be continued).

A SERMON IN STONE.

(Foolish Herald.)

The following is the translation of a
Chinese proclamation which has been
cut in stone and recently erected in a
conspicuous place on one of the roads
leading up to the Wu-shih-shan.
The erection of this tablet is, we believe,
strongly protested against by at least one
influential member of the foreign consular
body. It is of course aimed solely at
those naughty British missionaries who,
in the exercise of a clear treaty privilege,
have declined to waive their right of
residence; and it has, we understand,
been issued by the Hon. Kuan Magistrate,
at the instance of the Viceroy.

THE SERMON.

Cheng, specially granted the post of
Sub-protector of Amoy Maritime Defence,
Acting Magistrate of the Hou Kuan
district in the prefecture of Foochow,
with ten steps of commutative rank, and
recorded at the Board with honourable
mention ten times. In the matter of an
inscription in stone—to make known a
prohibition to be transmitted long and
far.

It appears that of the Wu-shih-shan
hills, that of the most extreme impor-
tance is the First Hill where the pulse
(currents) of Nature take the earth.
Inquiry into the influences of Nature
shows that the grace and spirit of Wu-
shih-shan flow away and escape towards
a point opposite this hill—that is to say
towards (my) the Magistrate's yamen.
The yamen of the Superintendent of the
Government Schools of the district, and
the Confucian Temple, all depend upon
this hill to look kindly down upon them.

The character of the people and the
literary success of the scholars are very
deeply interested therein. Although
upon the hill there is enclosed ground
planted with trees and covered with
small buildings, yet, after all, the founda-
tion of the hill is at the bottom a
public thing affecting the whole city—the
nature-pulse of the said locality is
therefore interested.

Some time ago I received from the
scholars and elders of the whole city a
petition requesting that a prohibition be
published. The several high authorities
have been (by me) petitioned, and their
instructions received to the effect that it
is not permitted to Chinese subjects—
plotting for gain, lying and defrauding,
to privately invade Chinese or foreign-
ers into leasing; (ground or houses)—
This trouble may be avoided in the
inception, and the nature-pulse may be
kept at rest—I have moreover been
favoured (by the authorities), by a com-
munication, acquainting the Foreign
Consuls—in order that they might with
one accord pass on instructions (to their
nationals)—all of the above being on
record.

In addition to a despatch being handed
by me to the Min District Magistrate's
yamen, for his information, it is fitting
that a stone be inscribed with a perpetual
prohibition.

Therefore this proclamation—to which
pay attention and with which you the
scholars and elders of the whole city,
and the people dwelling in the neigh-
bourhood, and the property owners on
the said hill should be thoroughly
acquainted; and with one accord respect
the perpetual prohibition above pointed
out. If you presume to listen to tra-
ditionary brokers, who league together to
involve any one into privately leasing
to either Chinese or foreigners, and
cause a disturbance, as soon as it trans-
pires you will be uncompromisingly
arrested, and brought up, and the merits
of the case will be discriminated and you
will be punished, and the ground or
houses so privately leased will be con-
fiscated. Indulgences will on no account
be shown. Now this should be per-
petually and tremblingly observed by
every one! Do not disobey! A special
proclamation.—in earnest.

Kwangan, 5th year, 11th moon, 8th
day.

The Home scientific papers have some-
times past been deceiving on the merits
of the audubons, a contrivance devised by
an American to enable deaf persons to hear
more distinctly and with less inconvenience
than with an ear trumpet. The inventor
who is deaf himself, had it appears, found
that putting his watch between his teeth
rendered it, in a strikingly audible man-
ner, whereas he could not hear it at all
when placed, close to his ear. From this
discovery he developed his audubon, a
curved sheet of metal, wood, cardboard, or
ebony, one end of which is held between
the teeth. In appearance the instrument
is like a huge, long hanging-out of the
mouth. Several English experimentalists
have since effected improvements on the
American idea, principally in the direction
of eliminating the harshness of the sound.
But there is nothing new under the sun,
and although the audubon does not appear
to have been recognized at home as an old
friend, we feel, as long ago as 1794, a
merchant of Geneva named Joret, gave
a public description at Hall's of a device
he had made that although almost totally
deaf, he could understand the least whisper
uttered by a person in contact with, or in
proximity to, a piece of hard wood, the
other end of which was between his teeth.
Joret's device, however, was not the way
we day making a long pipe, the bowl of
which happened to rest against the body of
a harpichord, which some one was playing,
when he was surprised to hear all the notes
most distinctly. We observe that a corres-
pondent of *Revue musicale* since the audi-
phone is a total failure in about two-thirds
of the cases of deafness in which it has
been tried.

Insurances.

YANGTZEK INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 250,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 263,268

TOTAL CAPITAL AND AC-
CUMULATIONS, 8th April, 1880.....Tls. 913,268

Directors.
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
W. M. BOYD, Esq. Wm. METCALINE, Esq.
J. H. PRICKVENS, F. D. HITCH, Esq.

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POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all
parts of the World.
Subject to a charge of 12 1/2 % for Interest
on shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS
of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are an-
nually distributed among all Contributors
of Business in proportion to the Premiums
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RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 11, 1880. 10c80

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
11 Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company, £1,000,000 Sterling
of which is paid up £100,000
Reserve Fund upwards of £150,000
Annual Income £250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai,
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

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COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.
If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals, or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20 % allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
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If required, protection will be granted on
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posals, or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1803.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE on the
exterior of Buildings, on Goods stored
therein, on Merchandise in the same, on
Hulls of Vessels, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENTS at the Island of Formosa
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Siam and Fuzhou.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rate of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHLIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised June 23, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables
the Rates are given in cents, and are, for
letters, per half ounce, for Books and
Pamphlets, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight
are charged as double, triple, &c., as the
case may be, but such papers or packets or
papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two
Newspapers must not be folded together as
one, nor must anything whatever be inserted
except bona fide Supplements. Printed
matter may, however, be enclosed, if the
whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Cur-
rent may be paid either as Newspapers or
Books.

Commercial Papers slightly soiled papers
as, though Written by Hand, do not bear
the character of an actual or personal cor-
respondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied
accounts, &c. The charge on them is the same
as for books, but whatever the weight of a
packet containing any partially written
paper, it will not be charged less than 5
cents.

The sender of any Registered Article
may accompany it with a Return Receipt
on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.
The limit of weight for Books and Com-
mercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is
4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited
to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these
dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2
inches.

N.H. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise
Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia,
Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritania, all
N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Chili,
Peru, Venezuela, the Argentine
Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana,
Honduras, Bermuda, Labian, with all
Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese
and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief
countries not in the Union are the Aus-
tralian Group.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—
Letters, 10 cents per oz.
Post Cards, 8 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books, Pamphlets, & 2 cents per oz.

Comm. Papers, 2 cents per oz.
There is no charge on redirected corre-
spondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom.
Letters, 10
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 2
Books & Pamphlets, 5.

West Indies (Non Union), Bolivia,
Costa Rica, Guatemala, New Granada,
Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay.

Letters, 30
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 10
Books & Pamphlets, 10.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and
Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 12; Re-
gistration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Pamphlets, 4; Via Galle, Letters, 20; Re-
gistration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Pamphlets, 4.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, and Accep-
tion, via Aden, Letters, 25; Registration,
10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Pamphlets, 5.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery.
† There is Registration to British W. India
Islands, 10 cents. To the Bahamas
and Hayti, the San Francisco route is
available.

‡ Registration via San Francisco, 10 cents.
§ Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL POSTAGE

(a) No Parcel Post.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5
p.m. on any week day, and addressed in
Victoria, will be delivered to the addressee
and generally within two hours, unless the
delivery should be retarded by the District
Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be
delivered within Victoria at the private
house of the addressee, rather than at
places of business, if a wish to that effect
be expressed by the sender, otherwise all
correspondence is invariably delivered at
the nearest place of business.

3. Stationers who deliver to the District
Mails, all of the same weight, to address in
Hongkong, Shanghai, or the Postal Office
at Canton, may deliver them to the Post
Office themselves, the postage being then
charged at the sender's account, and the
Mails must contain no other matter.

4. Registered letters, and letters sent
to the same places in the same way, are
delivered separately from the ordinary
Mails, and the contents are first
examined, and then the letters are
delivered to the addressee, or to the
Post Office, if the addressee is not
known.

5. The public is reminded that there
is no such thing as Parcel Post
in Hongkong, and that letters and
papers must be sent in the ordinary
Mails, and that the postage must be
paid by the sender.

6. Registered letters, and letters sent
to the same places in the same way, are
delivered separately from the ordinary
Mails, and the contents are first
examined, and then the letters are
delivered to the addressee, or to the
Post Office, if the addressee is not
known.

7. No letter can be sent to the same
places in the same way, as the ordinary
Mails, and the postage must be paid by
the sender.

8. Local Orders on Shanghai are drawn to
pay to the order of the Shanghai
Post Office, and are payable at the
rate of exchange on the Shanghai
Post Office.

Intimations

NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.00.

"COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW,"
 BY E. H. PARKER.
 Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH
 at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE,
 CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the
 CHINESE BOOK DEPOT, 10, ROBINSON ROAD, SINGAPORE.

Hongkong, December 6, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail.
華字日報 (Wah Yee Yat Po)

CEASED from the 1st August, 1877.
 CHUN AYEN.
 Hongkong, April 6, 1878.
 NOTICE.
 IN Reference to the above, the Under

1 signed has LEARNED the Chinese Man from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr TAM YEE KIU, a Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be as hitherto an

cellent medium for advertising, especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.
The rate for Advertising is considerable
moderate.

KONG CHIM,
Licence of the *Hongkong Chinese Mail*
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.
MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

will be despatched on MONDAY the 28th June, with Mail, to and through the United Kingdom, to Europe, via Brindisi; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACET.
The United States Mail Packet *Gecko*, will be dispatched on **TUESDAY**, the 29th inst., with mail for the Cape of Good Hope, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
2.15 P.M. Post-Office ceases.
2.30 P.M. Registry closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Extra) may be sent on, until the Packet is Late Five of 10 cents. Extra Postage until the time of departure.
Correspondence for Non-Union West India (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay cannot be sent by this route.
Hongkong, June 24, 1889.

Settlements, Katavi, Sharnai, Qoyi, India (via Madras), Australia, Zool., Tamsale, Pyl., Aden, Soc. and Alexandria.

The usual hours will be observed in close the Mail, &c.

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HOUSE OF CLOSING

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The following hours are observed in close Mail, &c., by the British Cons.

Packet:—

Day of Departure,—

1	P.M.—Money Order Office closes.
3	P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

Shipping Intelligence.
The following is corrected from the London and Colonial Papers, &c.:

12 BOWLING.		
Left.	Name.	From.
Sept.	28, G. Broughton,	Fulham
Nov.	23, Fleders,	Antwerp
Dec.	13, Cleaveland,	Newcastle
Jan.	9, Singapore,	Antwerp
	10, Cardiff,	Antwerp
	10, Niagara,	Hamburg
	29, Hope,	New York
Feb.	10, Large,	Antwerp
	11, Cora,	Antwerp
	17, Valley Forge,	Cardiff
	27, Highmoor,	Antwerp
March	1, Humber,	Glasgow
	5, Helen Marion,	Cardiff
	5, Angusor,	Cardiff

9, Carlos Anselmo,	Penarth
9, Constança,	Cardiff
8, Maria Louisa,	Cardiff
9, Leokadia,	Cardiff
12, Elise Ganova,	Cardiff
12, Elise,	Cardiff
12, Jamnina,	Cardiff
37, A. Greco (s.),	Woodstock
37, Emma T. Unwell,	Cardiff
April.	
4, Conqueror,	Penarth
7, Rosie Welt,	Antwerp
8, Carlisle,	London
9, Johanna,	Hamburg
10, South American,	Amstert
16, Mabel,	London
17, Kaplan,	Amstert
22, Eva Joaquina,	Cardiff
27, Alma,	Cardiff

20, <i>Raina Marcella (A.)</i>	Liverpool
23, <i>Corea</i>	Glasgow
<i>May</i>	
5, <i>Mimosa (s.)</i>	Glasgow
5, <i>Diana</i>	Glasgow.
8, <i>J. A. Prince</i>	London
11, <i>Wale (s.)</i>	Cardiff
12, <i>Waga</i>	Cardiff
LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN 1908	
At London.— <i>Shamrock</i> via Swan Coast	
Gordon Castle	Glasgow Canton.
Sailing Vessels.	
<i>Titanic</i>	Oldridge.
At Liverpool.	
<i>Ulysses (s.)</i>	Clyde (s.)
<i>Prism (s.)</i>	At Newcastle, N.S.W.
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